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In response to the Office Action mailed on December 4, 2003, please enter the followings amendments and remarks.

In the Specification

Please replace the abstract of the specification with the following new abstract.

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A digital copying machine configured for offline print and offline image input. For offline print, the image data of a document prepared in an external computer and output control data are stored into the memory card. By installing this memory card in the digital copying machine, the digital copying machine prints the image data read out from the memory card offline in a desired output form. For offline image input, read control data obtained by using an image scanner such as a read gradation level, a read size, density, and the degree of edge enhancement is stored in the removable memory card using software executed in an external computer. By installing this storage medium in the digital copying machine and setting an